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Docket No.: 107101-00050

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a

: Continuation

of application of prior pending Application No. 09/945,835 filed on September 5, 2001; which is a Reissue Application of Patent No. 5,946,906 issued on September 7, 1999 (whose application number is 08/975,101 filed on November 20, 1997). The disclosure of the prior application is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

For: EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION SYSTEM OF INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE**By (Inventors): Shusuke AKAZAKI (Saitama, Japan); Kohei HANADA (Saitama, Japan);
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1. : A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached. The attached Declaration and Power of Attorney is:
- : a. A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney and Supplemental Reissue Declaration from the parent application. (Used with the same or fewer inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application or (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter.)
- 9 b. A new Declaration and Power of Attorney. (Used with the same, fewer or additional inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application, (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter, or (c) a new specification.)
2. : The filing fee based on entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment is calculated below:

**CLAIMS IN THE APPLICATION AFTER ENTRY OF ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
NOTED BELOW****FEE TRANSMITTAL**

The filing fee is calculated below	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$770.00
Total Claims	9 - 20	0	x \$18.00	
Independent Claims	1 - 3	0	x \$86.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims			\$290.00	
Basic Filing Fee				770.00

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The filing fee is calculated below	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$770.00
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Fee for recording enclosed Assignment			\$40.00	
TOTAL				770.00

3. : Check in the amount of **\$ 770.00** to cover the filing fee is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.
4. : Cancel claims **2-6, and 15-24** of the application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
5. : Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This is a Continuation of Application No. **09/945,835** filed on **September 5, 2001** which is a Reissue Application of Patent No. **5,946,906** issued on **September 7, 1999** (whose application number is **08/975,101** filed on **November 20, 1997**). The disclosure of the prior application is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.--
6. : **17** Sheets of Formal drawings (Figs. **1-20**) are attached.
7. : Priority of foreign application No. **8-324809** filed **November 20, 1996** in **JAPAN** is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or §365(b).
8. : The certified copies were filed in prior Application No. **09/945,835** filed on **September 5, 2001**.
9. : A certified copy of the above foreign application(s) is attached.
10. : Priority of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. _____ filed _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
11. : Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. filed _____.
12. : The prior application is assigned of record to **HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA** Recorded at Reel **8826**, Frame **0487** on **November 20, 1997**.
13. : This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R §1.53(b)(1)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application: _____
14. : A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
15. : An Information Disclosure Statement is attached along with Form PTO-1449.
16. : Other: **Supplemental Declaration for Reissue Application**
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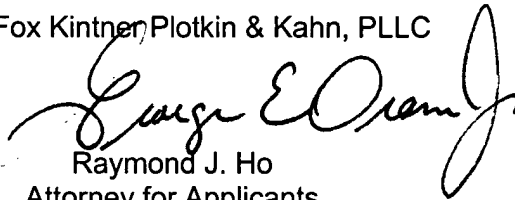
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